

A stylized graphic of the United States flag, featuring a blue canton with white stars and red and white stripes. The flag is waving and is set against a white background. To the left of the flag is a grey flagpole with a circular finial.

Brookline Remembers

MEMORIAL DAY

MAY 30, 2016



MEMORIAL DAY PROGRAM

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COORDINATED WITH
THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' SERVICES, WILLIAM T. MCGROARTY, DIRECTOR;
MARK MANIN, COMMANDER AMERICAN LEGION POST 11
JOHN TYNAN, COMMANDER VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS, STEPHEN F. RUTLEDGE POST 864
AND THE BROOKLINE ALLIED VETERANS

OFFICER OF THE DAY
MARK MANIN, COMMANDER AMERICAN LEGION POST 11

SERGEANT AT ARMS
JOHN TYNAN, COMMANDER VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS, STEPHEN F. RUTLEDGE POST 864

SPEAKER
NEIL GORDON, US NAVY VETERAN, VFW MEMBER

PARTICIPANTS
AMERICAN LEGION POST 11
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS, STEPHEN F. RUTLEDGE POST 864

DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

WORLD WAR ONE BARRACKS 2342
(IN MEMORIAM)

JEWISH/AMERICAN WAR VETERANS POST

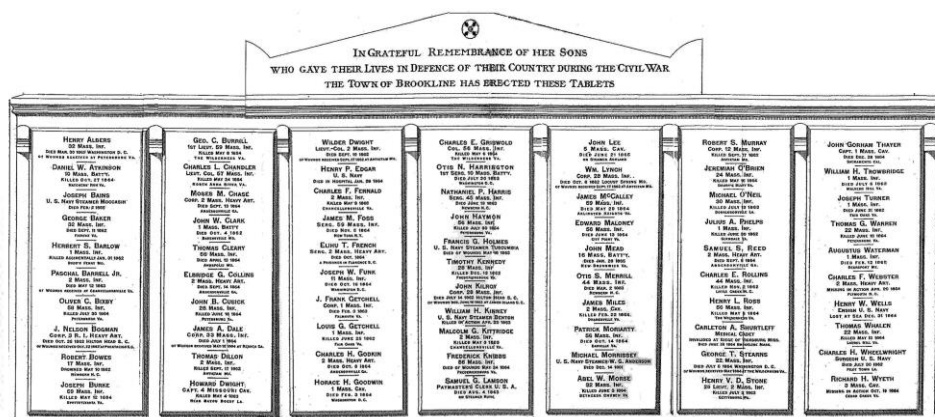
HONOR GUARD/FIRING SQUAD - COMPOSED OF MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION AND VETERANS
OF FOREIGN WARS-STEPHEN F. RUTLEDGE POST 864/BROOKLINE
POLICE DEPARTMENT/BROOKLINE FIRE DEPARTMENT/BRIGHTON
HIGH SCHOOL JROTC, JEWISH/AMERICAN WAR VETERANS

A bus will depart from the Veterans' Post at 386 Washington Street at 8:30 A.M. for the
Ceremonies at Walnut Hills Cemetery and then continue on to the Walnut Street Cemetery for a ceremony conducted by the
Daughters of the American Revolution. The bus will return to the Town Hall for the final ceremony at 11:00 A.M. This year
we will be holding a small procession leading into the main ceremony. A collation will take place at the Veterans' Post upon
completion of the Ceremonies.



"Yesterday, December 7, 1941 -- a date which will live in infamy -- the United States of America was suddenly and deliberately
attacked by naval and air forces of the Empire of Japan." - *President Franklin D. Roosevelt asking Congress to declare war (Dec. 8,
1941).*

PROGRAM AT GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC MONUMENT



INVOCATION

The Reverend David Johnson, Minister Emeritus,
First Parish Church, Brookline

TRIBUTE TO THE G.A.R.

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First Parish Church, Brookline

LAYING OF WREATH

Staff Sergeant Aaron Cecil, Member -VFW
Stephen F. Rutledge Post 864, American Legion Post 11

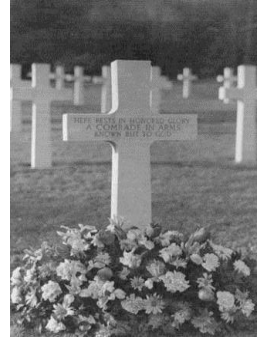


"Heroism is latent in every human soul - However humble or unknown, they (the veterans) have renounced what are accounted pleasures and cheerfully undertaken all the self-denials - privations, toils, dangers, sufferings, sicknesses, mutilations, life-long hurts and losses, death itself - for some great good, dimly seen but dearly held".

Joshua Lawrence Chamberlain



PROGRAM AT WALNUT HILLS CEMETERY VETERANS' LOT



CONDUCTED BY
IN FLANDERS FIELD

William T. McGroarty, Director - Veterans' Services
Kevin Lynch, Past Commander, Veterans of Foreign Wars-Stephen F. Rutledge Post 864, Vietnam Veteran

RED BASKET

Allen Macpherson, Member, Veterans of Foreign Wars,
Stephen F. Rutledge Post 864

WHITE BASKET

Robert Farrell, Member-American Legion Post 11
Chairman, Lt. General James M. Gavin Chapter – 82nd Airborne Division Assoc.

BLUE BASKET

Jack McCarthy, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Stephen F. Rutledge Post 864

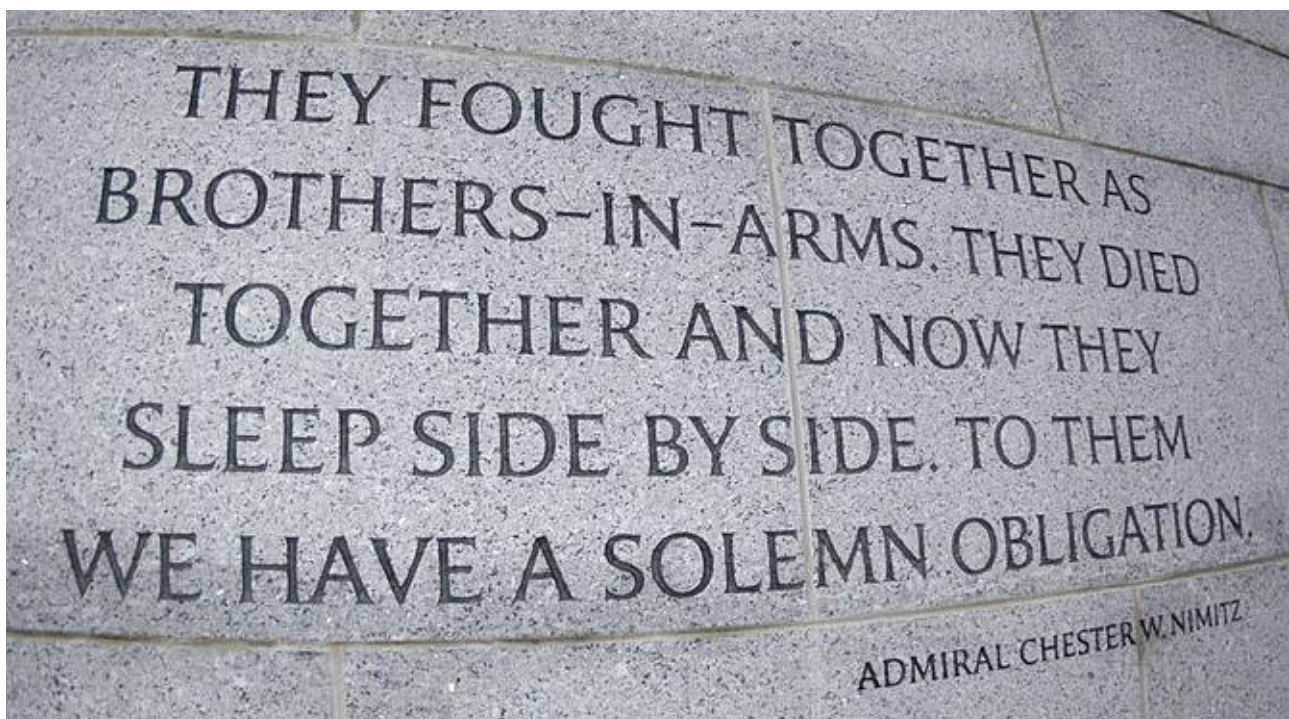
**FIRING SQUAD/
HONOR GUARD**

Composed of Members of the American Legion and
Veterans of Foreign Wars-Stephen F. Rutledge Post 864
Brookline Police Department, Brookline Fire Department
Brighton High School JROTC



TAPS AND ECHO

Brighton High School JROTC



PROGRAM AT BROOKLINE REVOLUTIONARY CEMETERY

WELCOME BY

Leslie Heke
Hannah Goddard Chapter, DAR Regent

INVOCATION

The Reverend David Johnson, Minister Emeritus,
First Parish Church, Brookline

PLACING OF WREATH

Leslie Heke
Hannah Goddard Chapter, DAR Regent

Dianne MacPherson-Laffey,
Hannah Goddard Chapter, DAR
Past Regent, VA Representative

SPEAKER

Dianne MacPherson-Laffey,
Hannah Goddard Chapter, DAR
Past Regent

BENEDICTION

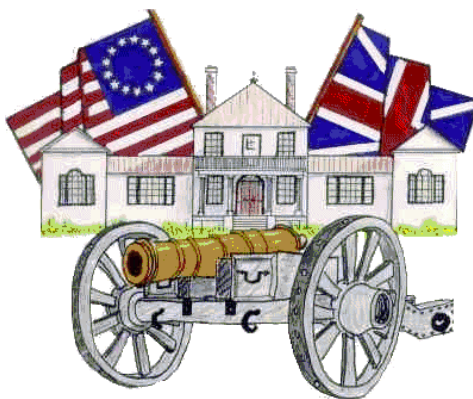
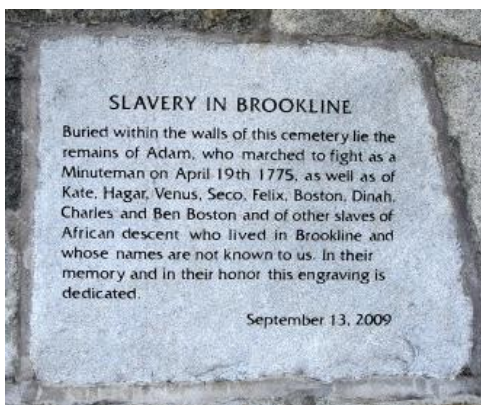
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Brookline Police Department/Brookline Fire Department/Brighton High School
JROTC

TAPS AND ECHO

Veterans of Foreign Wars, Stephen F. Rutledge Post 864;
American Legion Post 11; Brookline Police Department;
Brookline Fire Department; Brighton High School JROTC



*Thanks to the Human Relations / Youth Resources Commission
Hidden Brookline Committee*

*"The story of America's quest for freedom is inscribed on her history in the blood of her patriots".
- Randy Vader*

PROGRAM AT WORLD WAR MONUMENT

PROCESSION ORDER OF MARCH

PARADE LED BY POLICE ESCORT

POLICE HONOR GUARD

CHIEF OF POLICE OR SENIOR POLICE OFFICER

VETERANS' HONOR GUARD

VETERANS' TROLLEY

BROOKLINE FIRE DEPARTMENT HONOR GUARD

SENIOR FIRE OFFICER

BROOKLINE FIRE APPARATUS

LT. GENERAL JAMES M. GAVIN CHAPTER, 82ND AIRBORNE

BRIGHTON HIGH SCHOOL JROTC



“You are about to embark upon the Great Crusade, toward which we have striven these many months. The eyes of the world are upon you. The hopes and prayers of liberty-loving people everywhere march with you”. — [Dwight D. Eisenhower](#)

PROGRAM AT WORLD WAR MONUMENT

GREETINGS & INTRODUCTION OF OFFICER OF THE DAY

Mark Manin, Commander- American Legion Post 11

CONDUCTED BY

Bill McGroarty, Director-Department of Veterans' Services

INVOCATION

The Reverend David Johnson, Minister Emeritus, First
Parish Church, Brookline

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

John Tynan, Commander,
Veterans of Foreign Wars, Stephen F. Rutledge Post 864

NATIONAL ANTHEM

Kristin DeFosse

MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR DECEASED MEMBERS

AMERICAN LEGION

Mark Manin, Commander, American Legion Post 11

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

John Tynan, Commander- Veterans of Foreign Wars – Stephen F.
Rutledge Post 864

JEWISH/AMERICAN WAR VETERANS OF NEWTON/BROOKLINE

INTRODUCTION OF DIGNITARIES

Bill McGroarty, Director-Department of Veterans' Services

GREETINGS FROM THE TOWN

Selectmen Ben Franco

MEMORIAL DAY PROCLAMATION

Representative Frank Israel Smizik

MUSICAL SELECTION

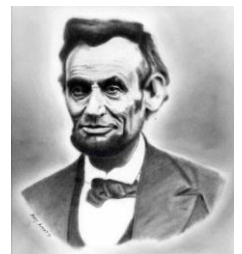
Kristin DeFosse

PRESIDENT LINCOLN'S GETTYSBURG ADDRESS

Lee Fife, Lieutenant Colonel Field Artillery
U.S. Army (Retired), Senior Army Instructor JROTC Brighton High

READING OF GENERAL LOGAN'S ORDERS

Sean Locke, American Legion Finance Officer



SPEAKER Neil Gordon, US Navy Veteran, VFW Member

**HONORING BROOKLINE'S
WORLD WAR I FALLEN HEROES** John Tynan, Commander – VFW – Stephen F. Rutledge Post 864

**PRESENTATION OF ARTHUR HURLEY MEMORIAL AWARD TO FOR EXTRAORDINARY SERVICE TO
OUR VETERANS AND OUR COMMUNITY**

Mark Manin, Commander-American Legion Post 11

**BATTLE HYMN OF
THE REPUBLIC** Kristin DeFosse

**PLACING OF WREATH AT
WORLD WAR MEMORIAL** John Tynan, Commander - VFW – Stephen F. Rutledge Post 864

Mark Manin, Commander-American Legion Post 11

Jewish/American Veterans of Newton/Brookline

"It is foolish and wrong to mourn the men who died. Rather we should thank God that such men lived".
— - *Memorial Day Quotes* by **General George S. Patton**



Silver Star Medal Recipient - Sergeant Arthur Hurley, U.S. Army WWII

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BENEDICTION The Reverend David Johnson, Minister Emeritus,
First Parish Church, Brookline

VETERANS' SERVICE AWARD Lawrence Fredericks, Past Commander VFW Post – Allston, Brookline Vietnam
Veteran

CLOSING REMARKS Bill McGroarty, Director-Department of Veterans' Services

AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL Kristin DeFosse

*All participants are invited to a Collation at the American Legion/VFW Veterans Post immediately following the
Memorial Day ceremony.*